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ACTION EA-14

INFO OCT-01 EUR-25 NEA-10 ADP-00 PM-07 H-02 INR-10 L-03

NSC-10 PA-03 RSC-01 PRS-01 SS-15 AID-20 OMB-01 SSO-00

NSCE-00 INRE-00 RSR-01 /124 W

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O R 111115Z JUL 73

FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4909

DIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

CIA WASHDC IMMEDIATE

INFO AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

AMEMBASSY MOSCOW

AMEMBASSY PARIS

AMEMBASSY PHNOM PENH

AMEMBASSY SAIGON

AMEMBASSY OTTAWA

AMEMBASSY NEW DELHI

AMCONSUL UDORN

USDEL JEC PARIS

USIA WASHDC

SECDEF

USDAO SAIGON

DIRNSA FT GG MEADE MD

CINCPAC

CINCUSARPAC

COMUSMACTHAI

DEPCHJUSMAGTHAI

CINCPACFLT

CINCPACAF

CDR USSAG NKP

CDR 13 AF ADVON UDORN

388 TFW KORAT

DODSPECREP BANGKOK

DODSPECREP NKP

CHSPECACTS BANGKOK

7 ACCS KORAT

354 TFW KORAT RTAFB

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56 SOW NKP

432 TRW UDORN  
CDR JCRC NKP  
8 TFW UBON  
ARMA/AIRA VTN LAOS  
ARMA/AIRA SVKT LAOS

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CINCPAC ALSO FOR POLAD; 13 AF ADVON, 432 TFW, 56 SOW,  
388 TFW, 354 TFW AND 8 TFW FOR DO/DI; MACTHAI FOR J-2  
AND PAO

E.O. 11652: 3

TAGS: MOPS, PINS, PINT, PFOR, LA  
SUBJECT: LAO SITUATION REPORT - 11 JULY 1973

REF: VIENTIANE 4876

#### I. MILITARY SITUATION

A. MR IV: ONLY INCIDENT REPORTED THROUGHOUT COUNTRY  
WAS MINOR ENEMY ATTACK BY MORTAR FIRE IN PHIAFAY AREA,  
WELL SOUTHEAST OF PAKSE, ON 10 JULY (NO CASUALTIES).  
B. ELSEWHERE IN LAOS, THERE WAS NO GROUND ACTION RE-  
PORTED DURING PERIOD 9-10 JULY. RLAf FLEW ZERO COMBAT  
SORTIES.

#### II. POLITICAL SITUATION

A. LOCAL PRESS REPORTED THAT IN INTERVIEW, JULY 10,  
SENIOR RLG NEGOTIATOR PHENG PHONGSAVAN DENIED "FREIGN  
PRESS REPORTS" THAT PRIME MINISTER SOUVANNA WILL SOON  
SIGN THE AGREEMENT FORMING NEW COALITION GOVERNMENT IN  
LAOS BY ACCEPTING CONDITIONS PUT FORWARD BY LPF CONCERN-  
ING THE STATIONING OF LPF TROOPS IN VIENTIANE AND LUANG  
PRABANG. PHENG REPORTEDLY REMARKED THAT TO ACCEPT LPF  
CONDITIONS ON THIS POINT WOULD BE "TO HANG ONESELF." PHENG  
ALSO DECLARED THAT REGULAR NEGOTIATING SESSIONS, TAKING  
PLACE THREE OR FOUR TIMES WEEKLY, GAVE TWO SIDES CHANCE  
TO EXCHANGE VIEWS, BUT ADDED THAT LPF POSITIONS REMAINED  
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RIGID. HE SAID LPF SEEKS TO GET ADVANTAGES IN NEGOTIA-  
TIONS THAT IT WAS UNABLE TO ACHIEVE ON THE GROUND.  
B. RADIO PATHET LAO, 10 JULY, TOOK NOTE OF THE RETURN  
TO SAM NEUA OF LPF DELEGATION LED BY NOUHAK PHOUmsavan,  
AFTER ITS VISIT TO NUMEROUS SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. IT  
COMMENTED THAT TRIP SHOWED THAT "THOSE SOCIALIST PARTIES,  
GOVERNMENTS AND PEOPLES SUPPORT AND ACCLAIM THE VARIOUS  
GREAT ACHIEVEMENTS SCORED BY OUR LAO ARMED FORCES AND

PEOPLED IN CARRYING OUT THEIR NATIONAL SALVATION STRUGGLE  
AGAINST THE U.S. IMPERIALISTS AND IN CARRYING OUT THEIR  
TASK OF BUILDING AND CONSOLIDATING LIBERATED ZONE."  
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